

NRRB

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Spoke to Frisco yesterday about NRRB:

- Yes, CSTAG and NRRB are now combined into one meeting. However, since CSTAG traditionally has a slightly different focus in its review, we should hold some conference calls with CSTAG before the combined CSTAG-NRRB meeting to give CSTAG the materials it usually likes to review and to give CSTAG some time to coalesce its views (since only a few CSTAG members actually go to the NRRB meeting).
- Currently scheduled NRRB meetings are: January 23-27; April 23-27; July 23-27.
 - The Jan meeting only has one site, which has indicated that it might need to be pushed to April.
 - The April meeting has 3 sites, one of which has indicated that it might need to be pushed to July.
- However, Frisco is willing to schedule a meeting whenever we are ready. I told him that we might be ready in March. He said that we should go back to him in January and confirm that we are truly ready, then he will schedule something in March.
- The Passaic River meeting is likely to be scheduled in NYC or in Washington DC, probably for 2 days.
- The NRRB package should be a summary of the RI/FS, and a discussion of the Proposed Plan (i.e., EPA's preferred alternative). Packages have gotten very long and complex lately. Frisco gave me a relatively short package that he particularly liked: "Upper Basin of the Coeur d'Alene River, Bunker Hill Mining and Metallurgical Complex Superfund Site" (Mar 2010). He needs to print out the Housatonic package, because he can't send the electronic version - he gave me the impression that that package was way too long and he really didn't like it (over 300 pages, not including appendices).
- He also gave me the Housatonic presentation, which he did say was long but well done.

[attachment "Housatonic NRRB presentation-CONFIDENTIAL.pdf" deleted by Alice Yeh/R2/USEPA/US]

Let me know if you want to flip through the Coeur d'Alene package. Will let you know when I get Housatonic.